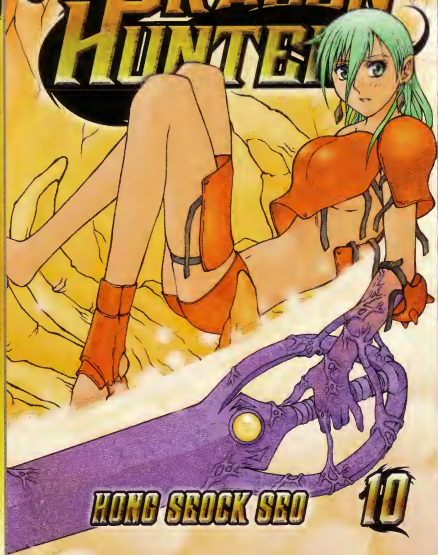


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SEUR-CHONG

There's only one thing Seur-Chong loves more than hunting dragons, and that's getting paid for doing it. He's infected with the Dragon's Curse, a condition which gives him incredible strength and stamina, but is slowly killing him. Despite his greedy nature, he has a heart almost as big as his enormous sword.

MYUNG-HO

A shaman born with exceptional gifts, Myung-Ho can control the minds of most lesser dragons, and assists Seur-Chong with his slaying. One particularly fierce battle left Myung-Ho mortally wounded, and Seur-Chong purposely infected him with the Dragon's Curse to save his life, the result of which caused a third eye to grow on his forehead. He is currently in mourning over the death of his sister, who sacrificed herself to save his life.



MONG-YEUM

A Shaman with a soft spot for dragons, she was in So-Chan's service until she stole a dragon from her master. Now she's joined with Seur-Chong and Myung-Ho, but she finds the necessary lifestyle not to her liking.



THE GENERAL / DAECHANG-NIM

Leader of the Immortal Shadow Killer Clan of the Chunpo. Like Seur-Chong, he, too has the Dragon's Curse. He recently revealed that Yeon-Wha (Seur-Chong's mother) is his wife, and that Seur-Chong is in fact his son.



RU-ARN

The generally right-hand woman, Daechang-Nim associated her father, so she is biding her time as his assistant until she can avenge her father's death.

TAE-RANG / KOK-JUNG

A former assassin turned rival of Seur-Chong, formerly known as Kok-Jung (which means "sworn" in Korean).



BEUL-HEE

A sometimes mean and stuck-up shaman, Beul-Hee trained at the same time and place as Mong-Yeum, though Mong-Yeum's abilities far outstripped Beul-Hee's. When her training had been completed, Beul-Hee's first assignment was to a rough, unpolished area near the Chinese border.



SO-CHUN

A powerful shaman, she's also the feudal lord of the Kaya Province. She served as a shaman's apprentice under Yeon-Wha.



RIAR

The illegitimate daughter of the legendary King Arthur, she wields the spirit sword Excalibur, which is an aerial version of the original sword.



THE STORY THUS FAR

SEUR-CHONG IS AN ELITE (AND CASH-OBSESSED) DRAGON HUNTER WHO, DUE TO AN INVOLUNTARY INFUSION OF DRAGON'S BLOOD, POSSESSES INCREDIBLE STRENGTH AND DURABILITY...ALONG WITH A SUBSTANTIALLY SHORTENED LIFESPAN. SEUR-CHONG'S PARTNER, MYUNG-HO, IS A SHAMAN WHO CAN USE MAGIC TO CONTROL DRAGONS--AND THUS MAKE THEM EASIER TO KILL.

NOT LONG AGO, DURING A PARTICULARLY DIFFICULT DRAGON HUNT, THE CHUNJOO--A MYSTERIOUS AND POWERFUL DRAGON-HUNTING GANG THAT DOESN'T TOLERATE COMPETITION--INTERFERED AND MORTALLY WOUNDED MYUNG-HO.

SEEING ONLY ONE WAY TO SAVE MYUNG-HO'S LIFE, SEUR-CHONG GAVE HIS DYING FRIEND A DRINK OF DRAGON'S BLOOD. THE YOUNG SHAMAN'S STRENGTH WAS RESTORED, BUT NOW MYUNG-HO MUST ENDURE THE DREADED DRAGON'S CURSE: POWER THAT WILL EVENTUALLY COST HIM HIS LIFE. MYUNG-HO HAS ALREADY MANIFESTED AN INCREDIBLE "SECOND SIGHT"...SEEN THROUGH A MONSTROUS THIRD EYE IN THE MIDDLE OF HIS FOREHEAD!

RECENTLY, SEUR-CHONG AND COMPANY LEFT THE KAYA PROVINCE FOR SHI-LA. THEIR QUEST: TO END THE DRAGON'S CURSE ON THE TWO MEN BY SLAYING THE DRAGON GOD. OF COURSE, NOBODY GETS TO THE DRAGON GOD WITHOUT FIRST DEALING WITH THE DRAGON GOD'S GUARDIAN...AND THE DRAGON GOD'S GUARDIAN HAS NEVER BEEN DEFEATED.

ASIDE FROM FREEING THEMSELVES FROM THE DRAGON'S CURSE, SEUR-CHONG ALSO WANTED TO FREE HIS MOTHER, WHO HAD BEEN FROZEN IN A STATE OF SUSPENDED ANIMATION ATOP MOUNT BAK-BO. HOWEVER, MANY FACTIONS WITH MANY AGENDAS WERE ON THE MOUNTAIN, AND A MASSIVE BATTLE BETWEEN MEN, MOBILE UNITS AND, OF COURSE, THE ULTRA-POWERFUL BLUE DRAGON ENSUED.

IN THE MELEE, SEUR-CHONG LOST HIS MOTHER AND LEARNED THAT THE DAECHANG-NIM IS ACTUALLY HIS FATHER, WHO GAVE HIM THE DRAGON'S CURSE IN ORDER TO SAVE HIS LIFE. MYUNG-HO WAS GRAVELY WOUNDED AND LOST HIS SISTER, ARANSEUR, WHO DIED IN ORDER TO PROTECT HIM.

AFTER A FEROCIOUS BATTLE, BI-AHN TOOK THE SEVERELY INJURED DAECHANG-NIM TO SAFETY. WHILE HE LAY HELPLESS BEFORE HER, SHE RECALLED THE EVENTS THAT LED THE DAECHANG-NIM TO KILL HER FATHER...THOUGH SHE CHOSE NOT TO SEEK VENGEANCE AT THAT TIME.

AFTER THEIR CRUSHING LOSSES, SEUR-CHONG AND HIS COLLEAGUES RETREATED BACK TO THE COUNTRY OF KAYA. WHILE SEUR-CHONG ATTEMPTED TO GAMBLE AWAY THE PAIN OF HIS MOTHER'S DEATH, MYUNG-HO MOURNED THE LOSS OF HIS SISTER AND CONSIDERED QUITTING THE LIFE OF A SHAMAN.

BEFORE ANYTHING COULD BE RESOLVED, TAE-RANG--AN OLD COLLEAGUE--TURNED-ENEMY--TURNED-KIND-OF-NOT-REALLY-AN-ENEMY-ANYMORE--ABRUPTLY ARRIVED WITH HIS SHAMAN BEUL-HEE. TAE-RANG--WHOSE REAL NAME IS THE SOMEWHAT EMBARRASSING "KOK-JUNG" (WHICH MEANS "WORRY" IN KOREAN)--SOUGHT THE DRAGON HUNTERS' HELP TO DEFEAT HIS LATEST PURSUER: A FEMALE WESTERN KNIGHT NAMED RIAH ASTRIDE A FLYING DRAGON.

TAE-RANG IS ALSO A VICTIM OF THE DRAGON'S CURSE, THOUGH HE ACQUIRED IT WILLINGLY IN ORDER TO MAKE HIMSELF MORE POWERFUL. SINCE TAE-RANG HAS EXHIBITED QUESTIONABLE JUDGMENT ON SEVERAL OTHER OCCASIONS AS WELL, SEUR-CHONG AND THE OTHERS WERE UNDERSTANDABLY RELUCTANT TO HELP TAE-RANG WITHOUT KNOWING ALL THE DETAILS.

AS THE WESTERN DRAGON WAS SPOTTED IN THE SKIES AROUND KAYA, TAE-RANG BEGAN HIS STORY OF THE TIME HE SPENT IN KING ARTHUR'S CAMELOT. IT ALL STARTED WITH TAE-RANG FACING OFF AGAINST ONE OF THE ROUND TABLE'S FINEST...



About Dragon Hunter, Part 10

Hello! We're finally in the double digits with Dragon Hunter Volume 10!

Looking at the cover for this volume, though, new readers might wonder if the series is really about dragon hunters. I'm sure regular readers will get it. But if you're reading this for the first time, this really is a book about dragon hunters. Honest!

In fact, this volume involves Western dragons in a story that continues from the last volume. As Dragon Hunter is a long saga, I have plenty of room to incorporate many different mythical elements and play with them in an epic story.

For example, in the last volume we saw a character named Riah riding a dragon out of Arthurian myth, as well as the legendary Siegfried's Dragon from German folklore. I chose to make Riah's dragon a teenaged one, mainly because I made adult dragons more difficult to control in this world. According to the "Fantasy Dictionary of Dragons," all dragons can breathe fire, no matter how old they are. But, in this book, I decided that teenaged dragons from the West cannot breathe fire.

I've also previously introduced King Arthur, Merlin and the aforementioned Riah in Volume 9. They may come from other established stories, but I've brought them into the Dragon Hunter world and am using them in my own way. You'll give yourself a headache trying to verify what I've adapted and what I've made up. So, please just try to have fun with the story and enjoy how it all comes together.

Kok-Jung is the main character in this volume--so I hope you all like the tale of his time in the West!

Enjoy Volume 10!

DIE,
FOREIGN
DOG!!



ROCK
SCYTHE!!
WIND
DRAGON









ANYWAY...
I EVENTUALLY
JOINED THE ORDER
OF KNIGHTS AND
HUNTED DRAGONS
WITH THEM!



THE WESTERN
DRAGONS WERE
SMALL BUT SMALL
SO IT WASN'T HARD
TO HUNT THEM...



OR FOR
MERLIN TO CAST
CONTROL SPELLS
ON THEM!

AND IN A
FEW SHORT
MONTHS...

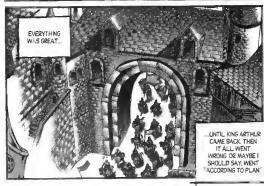


I WAS MADE
SECOND IN
COMMAND!

I FOUND
SUCCESS OVER
THERE, EVEN
RIAH STARTED
TO RESPECT ME

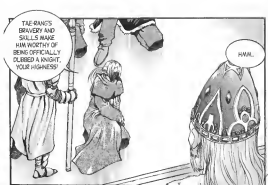


I EVEN TAUGHT
HER HOW TO
SPEAK KOREAN...



EVERYTHING
WAS GREAT...

...UNTIL KING ARTHUR
CAME BACK THEN
IT ALL WENT
WRONG. OR MAYBE I
SHOULD SAY, WENT
"ACCORDING TO PLAN"





BUT TAE-RANG
DEFEATED THE
DRAGONS THAT
PLAGUED US-

BE QUIET,
MERLIN!



THE KING MAY
TRUST YOU
BECAUSE YOU
GAVE HIM THAT
SWORD...

...BUT YOU
HAVEN'T
GIVEN ME
ANYTHING.



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ENOUGH,
LANCELOT!



YES, YOUR
HIGHNESS

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LANCELOT'S TONE
MAY BE BRASH,
BUT IT DOESN'T
MEAN HE'S WRONG.
PERHAPS IT IS A
BIT PREMATURE
FOR KNIGHTHOOD.



WHAT..?

QUIET!



GO BACK
TO WORK
FOR NOW.

I MUST
PONDER THIS
DILEMMA.



BUT,
FATHER..!

I SAID
BACK TO
WORK!



GO BACK
TO BEING THE
MASCOT OF
MY KNIGHTS
UNTIL YOU FIND
A HUSBAND!

GASP!

THEN I
SHALL
RETURN TO
MY WORK
AS WELL.

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WHY KEEP
HIM AROUND,
YOUR
HIGHNESS?

ENOUGH!
MERLIN
HELPED
ME RISE TO
POWER!

HE HELPED
HIMSELF

AND SOON
LANCELOT, I
WILL TURN
THAT POWER ON
YOU. YOUR FATE
IS SEALED!

TAE-RANG?
ARE YOU
UPSET ABOUT
WHAT JUST
HAPPENED
IN THERE?

I'M OKAY
IT DOESN'T
MATTER
BECAUSE
I KNOW
I'LL PROVE
MYSELF.

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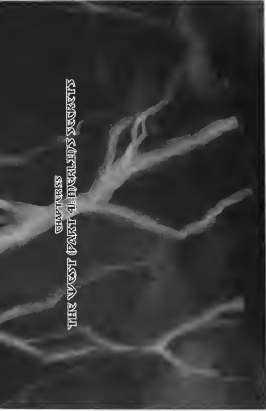
WHAT?
I GOT
ROOGER
CHECK?

NO,
TAE-RANG
IT'S JUST
THAT I,
REALLY
LIKE.

I
THINK
L.



CHAPTER 3
THE WEST (PART 1) DEAD ISLAND





I HEARD ODD
SOUNDS COMING
FROM A CHAMBER
IN THE DUNGEON,
SO I WENT TO
INVESTIGATE.



MERLIN
EMERGED
FROM THE
CHAMBER.

COVERED
WITH
BLOOD!



THE SOUNDS
I HEARD
WERE
INHUMAN...
CREEPY...
SCARY...



WHAT'S YOUR
POINT, BELL-
HEE, IS IT?

MERLIN IS A
WIZARD LIKE
YOU. YOU OF
ALL PEOPLE
SHOULD KNOW
THE PRACTICE OF
MAGIC CAN BE...

...STRANGE.



HURRY! YOU
SAID SHE WAS
JUST LEAVING
KOREAN.



ANYWAY, I THINK
WE WERE KEPT
APART FOR A
REASON!



I'LL GET
YOU A NEW
ROOM...

IT'S NOT
ABOUT THAT!
I'M WORRIED
ABOUT YOU.



OH, I GET IT!
YOUR POWERS
ARE FAILING
HERE! PLUS,
YOU'RE SO FAR
FROM HOME.

IT'S JUST
A LITTLE
CULTURE
SHOCK.
HOME SICKNESS,
PERHAPS.

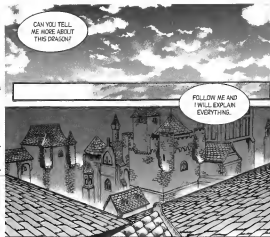


DON'T WORRY,
BELL-HEE...



THIS ISN'T GOOD. HE
ACTUALLY LIVES IT HERE.
WANTS TO RISE IN THE
RANKS AND CLIMB THE
SOCIAL LADDER.
WHAT SHOULD I DO? SHOULD
I TELL HIM WHAT I'VE SEEN?







I SAID
NO!!

BUT
FATHER!

I ONLY
APPOINTED
YOU TO THE
ORDER SO
THAT PEOPLE
SEE YOU
AS MORE
THAN MY
ILLEGITIMATE
DAUGHTER!

I MUST
LEAD THE
KNIGHTS.

YOU'RE
NOT
THEIR
REAL
LEADER!

YOU'RE JUST
WASTING YOUR
TIME UNTIL
YOU MARRY!

LET MERLIN
AND THE
ASIAN HUNTER
TAKE CARE
OF THIS!

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AWKWARD?
AWKSCOT?
ILLEGITIMATE?

Pant

NO! I DON'T
WANT TO
BE SEEN
THAT WAY!

I WILL
SUCCEED!
I WILL BE
ACCEPTED!

BUT I'LL
NEED
HELP!

I NEED
POWER!

I NEED
EXCALIBUR!

MASTER
MERLIN IS
THIS FATHER'S
SWORD?



CHAPTER 55
THE WEST PART 5



WHOA, I DID
IT SUDDENLY
GET COLDER?

YOU
SHOULD'VE
WORN
THICKER
CLOTHES

H-HEY!
WHAT'S
THAT?

THE KING'S
SWORD...?

WHO
GOES
THERE?

HELLO?

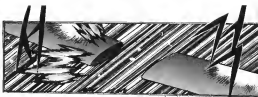
IT'S A
G-GHOST!

AAAAHH!!

I AM
EXCALIBUR!

THE ONE
WHO WIELDS
ME IS MASTER
OF ALL
BEFORE NOW









THEY'RE
LETTING HER
OUT ONCE
WE'VE LEFT
ON THE HUNT.



RIAH IS THE
KING'S ILLEGITIMATE
DAUGHTER.

WUH?



SHE'S
HIS.



DAUGHTERY?



YES, THE KING
ACKNOWLEDGES
RIAH AS HIS CHILD,
BUT REFUSES
TO GIVE HER THE
FAMILY NAME.

WITHOUT HIS
NAME, SHE ISN'T
RECOGNIZED
AS AN HEIR TO
THE THRONE.



THAT'S WHY
SHE TRIES
SO HARD
TO GAIN HIS
ACCEPTANCE...



I...
UNDERSTAND
I WAS LIKE
HER ONCE...



I WANT TO
HELP HER,
BUT



SHE
TOUCHED
EXCALIBUR



IS THE
SWORD THAT
POWERFUL? IT
CUT THROUGH
MY SCYTHE
LIKE TOP!!...



IT'S THE
MOST
POWERFUL
SWORD EVER
FORGED



EXCALIBUR IS
THE WEAPON
OF A GOOD AND
GREAT KING. WITH
IT HE CAN CUT
DRAGONS IN HALF
AND EXPAND
HIS KINGDOM
INFINITELY



THE
SWORD
SLOWLY
KILLS ITS
OWNER



BUT WIELDING
SUCH POWER IS
NOT WITHOUT
ITS PRICE...

CHAPTER 55

THE WEST (PART 6): MERLIN'S ULTERIOR MOTIVE





EXCALIBUR IS
THE SWORD
OF THE GREAT
KING ARTHUR!



POOR RAIN
THOUGHT SHE
WOULD HAVE
THE SAME POWER AS
THE KING IF SHE
POSSESSED IT!

HAD SHE
ASKED ME, I
WOULD HAVE
TOLD HER
THAT NO ONE
CAN POSSESS
THE SWORD.



WHILST
ARTHUR
DRAWS
BREATH.



EXCALIBUR
IS AMAZING
BUT...

I BLEW
IT!



I WAS TOO
POWER HUNGRY!



RAIN! IT IS IT!

WEREN'T?

WHAT?

WE ARE
LEAVING
TOMORROW.



PLEASE!
LET ME GO
WITH YOU! I
MUST PROVE
MYSELF TO
FATHER!

YOU KNOW I
MUST! PLEASE
GET ME OUT
OF HERE!





KOK-JUNG? WHAT'S WRONG? WHY DID YOU STOP?

스테이..



I DON'T KNOW HOW MERLIN PUT THE "SPIRIT" OF EXCALIBUR INTO BRAH'S BODY!

BUT RECRUITING HER AND ME, IT WAS ALL PART OF HIS PLAN

SO, IF BRAH WAS YOUR FRIEND THEN WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FROM HER?

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HEY! PAY ATTENTION OVER HERE!

HOW RUDE!



WE DO NOT HAVE TIME TO LISTEN TO THE REST OF THE STORY

THE WESTERN DRAGON IS INJURED AND ANGRY.



IT'S HEADED FOR THE MARKETPLACE.

WHAT?!



CRAP!



WHY CAN'T
RAH HUNT THE
DRAGON DOWN
HERSELF?



WE CAN'T
LET HER USE
THE SWORD!
IT'S TOO
DANGEROUS!

THIS
PUTS ME
IN DANGER
FOR FREE,
AT THAT!



I DON'T LIKE
HAVING TO
TURN
TO YOU!



BUT ONLY
EXCALIBUR
AND NI-
RU-DO.

CAN
TAKE THAT
DRAGON!



THEN
HERE,
WANNA
BORROW
IT?

BASTARD...



SEUR-CHONG?



DID I
MENTION
THAT THE
DRAGON IS
NEARING...



THE
REQUEST
OFFICE?



THAT TRICK
WON'T
WORK...



YOU MEAN
THE REQUEST
OFFICE
WHERE I KEEP
MY MONEY?!



KILL THE
DRAGON!

GRO?

NOT
REALLY

BUT IT
WORKED!

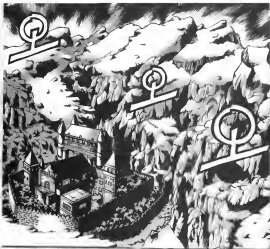
QUICKLY-
CONTINUE
YOUR
STORY.

IS IT
TRUE?

PATNETIC



WELL, EXCEPT
FOR RAH, WE
ALL LEFT TO
LOOK FOR THE
DRAGON.





WHY BOTHER ENTERING THIS CREEPY PLACE? WHY NOT JUST BLOW IT UP FROM THE OUTSIDE?

OUR COUNTRY NEEDS THE AREA INTACT.



WHAT IS THAT?

철거

IT PROVIDES A DEFENSIVE BARRIER.

MANY COUNTRIES HAVE ATTEMPTED AND FAILED TO WRADE US FROM HERE.



JUST COUNT THE NUMBER OF DEAD IN THE VALLEY OF BONES.

THEN THERE'S THE MATTER OF THE TREASURE WITHIN THE CASTLE.



I KNEW THERE HAD TO BE MORE TO IT!

.....

BUT WAIT, ISN'T IT SAFER FOR THE COUNTRY WITH THE DRAGON HERE?



ENOUGH! JUST KNOW THAT ACCOMPLISHING THIS MISSION WILL RESULT IN NUMEROUS BENEFITS FOR THE COUNTRY!

BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP TO SUCCEED.

REALLY? ON FLATTERY?

FOOL!



THE WHAT?

DO YOU SAY...



THE PHILOSOPHER'S STONE? WHATEVER YOU'RE UP TO, MERLIN...

I'LL BE WATCHING!

IT'S ALL FOR KING AND COUNTRY, LANCELOTT.







HE'S HIDING
SOMETHING! I
DON'T KNOW
WHAT, BUT
IT INVOLVES
TAE-RANS AND
ME FOR SURE...



I'LL FIND OUT
HIS SECRE-
MUR!

A BOOK
FROM
KOREA...



SEGFRED'S
DRAGON IS... IS
POWERFUL... AS
A GUARDIAN
DRAGON...

IF MERLIN
SOMHOW
CAPTURES AND
CONTROLS THAT
DRAGON, HE
COULD POSE A
DANGER TO-

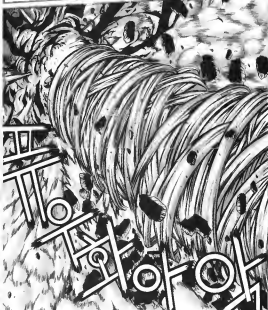
HEY!
SOMEONE'S
IN MERLIN'S
ROOM!











FOUR-WAY
 STRIKE!!
 DRAGON!!
 WIND!! FIRE!!
 GEYSER!!

CHAPTER 55
THE WEST (PART 8):
THE PHILOSOPHER'S STONE





COF!!



HE
ANTICIPATES
OUR MOVES!



WE'RE IN
TROUBLE!
THERE'S
NO TIME..!

GRRR



DON'T
JUST
STAND
THERE!
FIRE!!

OH!



YES, SIR!
READYING THE
CANNONS!



OUT
OF THE
WAY!
HE'S
ABOUT
TO-



YAAAA!



OH!

IS HE
THAT
SMART?



WE LOST
OVER HALF
OUR ARMY IN
A MATTER
OF SECONDS!

MY... MY CONTROL
SPELL ONLY SLOWS
IT DOWN.



THEN WHAT
DO WE DO?
SLOWING HIM
DOWN WON'T
BE ENOUGH.

I KNOW A
BETTER WAY
TO CONTROL
HIM!



I KNEW IT!
WHAT'RE
YOU HIDING?

WE
NEED TO
CONTROL,
NOT KILL
HIM.



MOVE!
MOVE!



SO...?
WHAT'S
THIS OTHER
WAY?!

THE
PHILOSOPHERS
STONED! IT'S A
GEAR IN THE
DUNGEON WITH
THE TREASURE!



PHILOSOPHERS
STONE..?



IF I CAN
RETRIEVE
THE STONE, I
CAN CONTROL
THE DRAGON
AS SIEGFRIED
ONCE DID!

HOWEVER JUST
KNOW THAT
YOU WILL BE
ON YOUR OWN
UNTIL I RETURN!









HE DODGED
MY ATTACK!
I THOUGHT
HE COULDN'T
FLY HERE!!

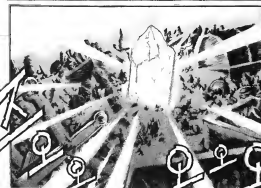


HE'S ABOUT
TO SPIT FIRE
AGAIN! I NEED
COVER!

OH NO!!







CHAPTER 55
THE WEST (PART 9):
RIAH'S EXCALIBUR







SEE WHAT
I DID TO
SIEGFRIED'S
DRAGON!



SHE'S RIGHT
I DIDN'T EVEN!



WHERE'S
MERLIN?
WAS HE
KILLED?



GIVE ME THE
SWORD I'LL
FINISH HIM!



NO!

I CAN'T...



HE WENT
TO FIND...
SOME
STONE OR
SOMETHING!

AWAY ON
USELESS!



AAAAA!!!



YOU REST I'LL
TAKE DOWN
THE DRAGON
BEFORE MERLIN
RETURNS.

IT CAN ONLY
BE WIELDED
BY ME.

NOT!



SIEGFRIED'S
DRAGON!!
PREPARE TO
DO BATTLE!!



RRRRH



CHARGE!!



AMATEURISH
BUT THE
POWER OF
THE SHIELD...

...IS SIMPLY
AMAZING!



ATTACK!



RARGH



IT'S REELING
AFTER THAT
STRIKE! THE
SHIELD IS DOING
IT, BUT...

YEA

SOMETHING'S
HAPPENING!

Pant









YES! THE
PHILOSOPHER'S
STONE!



MAGIC'S
MOST
POWERFUL
TALISMAN!



DRAGON! I
COMMAND
YOU TO SIT!



IS THIS THE
POWER OF THE
PHILOSOPHER'S
STONE?







SOUND THE
ALARM! A DRAGON
APPROACHES
THE CASTLE!



GREETINGS,
LANCELOT.
MIND IF I
PARK THIS
HERE?



READY THE
CANNONS! IT'S
SEIGFRIED'S
DRAGON!

BRING
DRAGON
LANCES!



THIS
CAN'T BE
HAPPENING
WITH
THE KING
HERE...

DAMN
YOU
MERLIN
YOU'VE
FAILED
US!

WHAT?
THERE'S
SOMEONE
ON
ITS BACK!

ON ITS
BACK!



HUH!

BASTARD!



NO HE REALLY
HAS CONTROL
OF THE DRAGON!

WE HAVE
RETURNED FROM
HUNTING-NO. MAKE
THAT CAPTURING-
SIEGFRIED'S
DRAGON!



THEY WELCOMED
US KING ARTHUR
EVEN ACCEPTED
RIAH

NO ONE KNEW IT
WAS ALL PART OF
MERLIN'S PLAN.

HEY, WHERE'S
BELL-HEE?

TAE-RUNG!
WE MUST
TALK ABOUT
BELL-HEE.

DO YOU
KNOW
WHERE
SHE IS?

IN OUR
ABSENCE...

SHE HAS
TO KNOW
I'M BACK.

SHE CHOSE
TO GO BACK
TO YOUR
COUNTRY.

SHE DID
WHAT?
NO WAY!

I APOLOGIZE
FOR READING
IT...

SHE LEFT
THIS
LETTER.

TAE-RUNG, I HAVE
BEEN NOTHING BUT
A BURDEN TO YOU.
YOU NOW HAVE
MERLIN AND RIAH
TO ASSIST YOU
IN YOUR QUEST.

PLEASE GO HOME.
I'M SORRY TO
LEAVE YOU
LIKE THIS, BUT
WE WILL MEET
TAE-RUNG. THE
FATES ALLOW
TAE-RUNG TO
BELL-HEE.



EVENTUALLY, I
WAS OFFICIALLY KNIGHTED, AND
SOON AFTER...

I GOT OVER MY
GUILT ABOUT
BEUL-HEE. RAH
AND I EVEN
DISCUSSED
MARRIAGE

TAE-RANG?

HUH?

RAH?

WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
OUT HERE?

FORGET
ABOUT
DINNER?

OH, I
RIGHT! I'LL GO
GET IT.

WHAT?
WHAT'S
WRONG?

IT'S
JUST...

YOUR HAIR
IS QUITE
LONG, SO
HERE!

WHOA!
W-WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING?

GUYS DON'T
WEAR
STUFF LIKE
THIS IN MY
COUNTRY!

WE'RE NOT
IN YOUR
COUNTRY!

DON'T
REMIND
ME!

YOU LOOK
SO CUTE!

THOUGHT
I WAS
HAPPY

THOSE
WERE GOOD
TIMES...



CHAPTER 55
THE VEST (PART II)
TAE-RANG'S FURN (PART I)









I ASKED YOU
A QUESTION,
BASTARD!



GAAAK!!



ORETINI
YOU BROKE
MY JAW. I
STRONG, BUT
VERY, VERY
STUPID.!

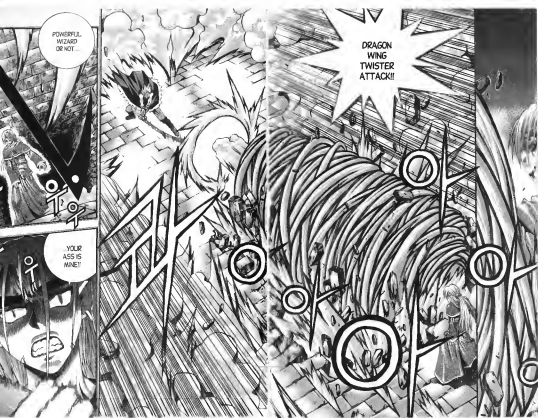
KUFF
KUFF!

YOU'RE
RIGHT I AM
STUPID.



STUPID
ENOUGH NOT
TO CARE WHY
YOU USED
ME, BUT
BEH, HEH...

YOU'LL PAY
DEARLY FOR
WHAT YOU
DID TO HER!



POWERFUL
WIZARD
OR NOT...

YOUR
ASS IS
HINE!!

DRAGON
WING
TWISTER
ATTACK!!









LIKE I SAID SHE HELPED ME
WITH SOME EXPERIMENTS.
BEUL-HEE AND I DISCOVERED
THAT THE PHILOSOPHER'S
STONE CAN CONTROL
HUMANS EVEN BETTER
THAN DRAGONS!







THAT WAS TAE-RANG!
SOMEONE'S
WRONG...

아예!

YOUR
HIGH-
NESS?

I'M
OKAY...



HER-LIN!

WHERE
IS TAE-
RANG!



TAE-RANG
TRIED TO
TAKE THE
PHILOSOPHER'S
STONE AND
NOW...

...SIEGFRIED'S
DRAGON IS
ANGRY!



WHAT?
TAE-RANG
ONLY WENT
TO GET
WINE...

YOU
MUST BE
MISTAKEN!



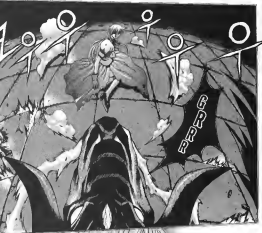
HE'S BEEN
LYING TO
US! HE WAS
AFTER THE
PHILOSOPHER'S
STONE ALL
ALONE!

HE
IMPRISONED
BELL-HEE IN
THE DUNGEON
SEE FOR
YOURSELF!









TAE-RANG..!

I'VE BEEN
SO STUPID!



FROM NOW
ON, I TRUST
NOBODY
BUT YOU!



WE'RE
GOING
HOMER!



THE WEST CONTINUES IN VOLUME II

The Studio Redstone Story (Chapter 10)

Heiloi Hong Seock here! So, how did you like Volume 10?

Many seasons have changed since I first began working on Dragon Hunter. As I write this, the weather is very hot here in Korea. But one thing that hasn't changed is that I'm still crazy about my very cool digital camera. Well, I don't have anything else to do except work on comic books! (What? That makes me a good-for-nothing? Huh....)

I can only take pictures when I have free time, so at this point I haven't had enough time to fill even one lousy CD! But I have taken enough pictures to realize that a good camera does not guarantee good photographs. The same camera can produce pictures that are art and pictures that are garbage. My conclusion is that I need more practice with photography, not more expensive camera equipment.

Good thing, too, because recently a lot of Japanese animation DVDs have come out over here. If I lived in Seoul, I would rent everything I could get my hands on. Unfortunately, in An-San, where I live, we don't get anything for rent. So, I buy what I can one by one with money that I hide from my wife. But so far, I've only bought the "Detective Conan" series because these animated series come in too many volumes and cost way too much. I also want to collect "Nadia" and "His and Her Circumstances" as well. Then, there's all the movies that were released in theaters! "Spirit Away" will be on DVD here soon, right?

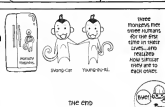
I guess if I want to buy all these DVDs, I have to make tons of money. So, you guys keep reading and buying Dragon Hunter, okay? Take care 'til next time!

See you in Volume 11!





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Redstone
Monkey
Story...



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FAME, HONOR, AND RESPECT COME WITH
KNIGHTHOOD BUT— FOR A KOREAN KNIGHT IN KING
ARTHUR'S COURT— MYSTERY, INTRIGUE, AND
BETRAYAL ARE ALSO PART OF THE JOB!

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THINGS SEEM SIMPLE ENOUGH WHEN MERLIN ASKS
KOK-JUNG TO HELP CAPTURE SIEGFRIED'S DRAGON...
BUT KOK-JUNG'S SHAMAN BEUL-HEE KNOWS
MERLIN HAS DARK SECRETS AND ULTERIOR
MOTIVES. CAN BEUL-HEE WARN KOK-JUNG IN
TIME? IF SHE CAN'T, WILL THE HEADSTRONG,
YOUNG DRAGON HUNTER SURVIVE A BATTLE WITH
AN ENRAGED ARMY OF CAMELOT'S KNIGHTS?

